



Public Notice

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District

October 5, 2005

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FEDERAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The District Engineer and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality have received a joint application for Federal and State permits as described below:

APPLICANT

Roanoke Valley Resources Authority
1020 Hollins Road
Roanoke, Virginia 24012
Attn: John Hubbard

WATERWAY AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED WORK: The project is located in headwater tributaries of Bradshaw Creek, at the Smith Gap Regional Landfill, off Bradshaw Road in Roanoke County, Virginia.

PROPOSED WORK AND PURPOSE: The applicant proposes to expand the existing landfill for Phases V through IX and subsequently impacting 3,338 linear feet of a headwater stream. The total site impacts will include 1,500 linear feet of intermittent stream and 1,838 linear feet of perennial stream. In order to offset these impacts the applicant has proposed an on-site mitigation package that includes the preservation of an existing riparian buffer on each side along 9,476 linear feet of perennial streams, along 8,463 linear feet of intermittent streams, and along 11,213 linear feet of ephemeral channels for a width of 200' on each side of the streams and channels.

In addition to the required Department of the Army permit, the applicant must obtain a Virginia Water Protection Permit from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) assuring that applicable laws and regulations pertaining to water quality are not violated. Project drawings are attached.

AUTHORITY: Permits are required pursuant to Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95-217) and Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia.

FEDERAL EVALUATION OF APPLICATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. The decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All of the proposal's relevant factors will be considered, including conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use classification, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production,

mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. The Environmental Protection Agency's "Guidelines for Specification of Disposal Sites for Dredged or Fill Material" will also be applied (Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act).

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. Anyone may request a public hearing to consider this permit application by writing to the District Engineer within 30 days of the date of this notice, stating specific reasons for holding the public hearing. The District Engineer will then decide if a hearing should be held.

Preliminary review indicates that: (1) no environmental impact statement will be required; (2) no species of fish, wildlife, or plant (or their critical habitat) listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (PL 93-205) will be affected; and (3) no known properties eligible for inclusion or included in the National Register of Historic Places are in or near the permit area, or would likely be affected by the proposal. Additional information might change any of these findings.

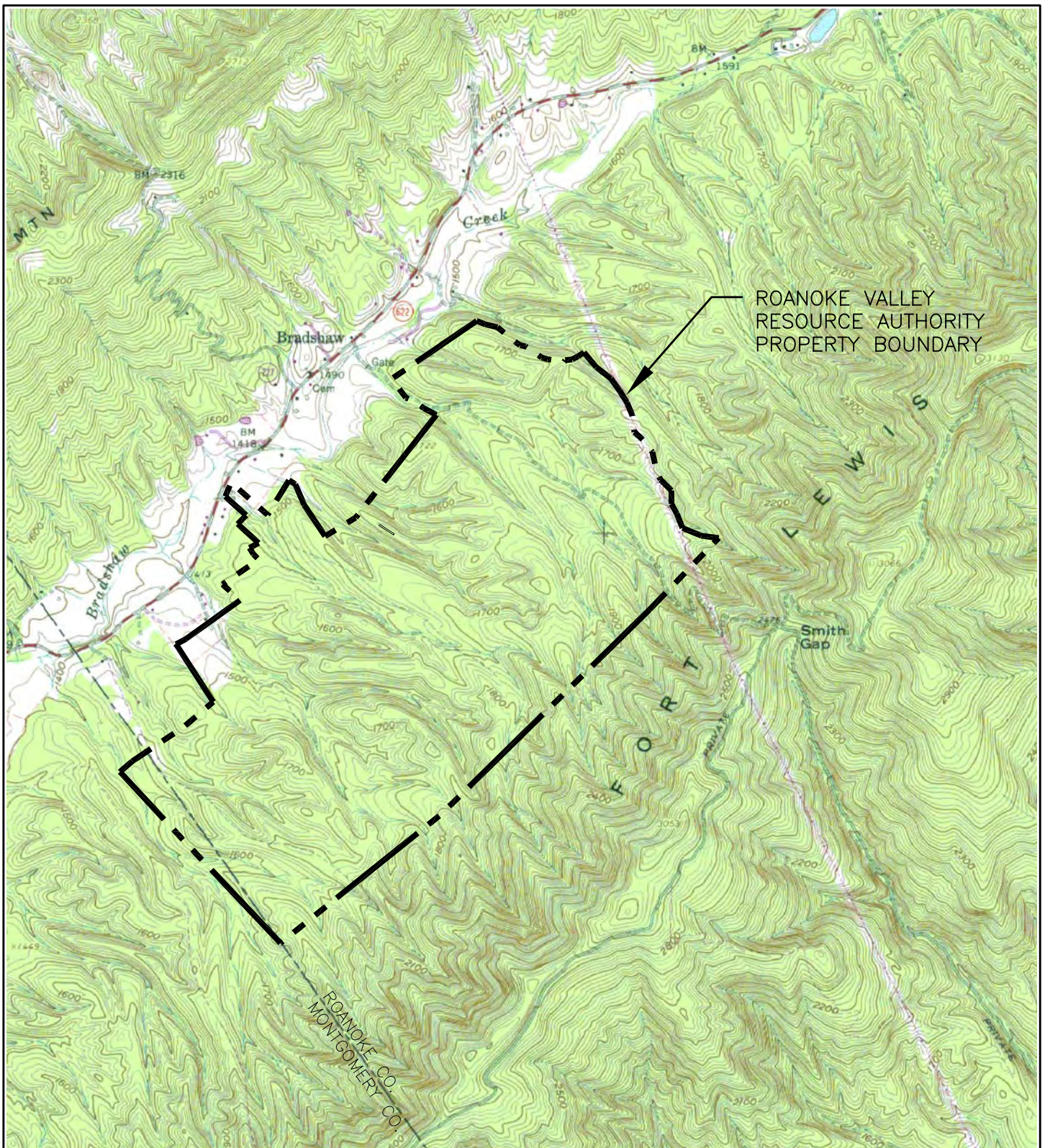
COMMENT PERIOD: Comments on this project should be made in writing, addressed to the Norfolk District, Corps of Engineers (ATTN: Thom Leedom), 209 Roanoke Street, Suite #8, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073, and should be received by the close of business on November 7, 2005.

If you have any questions about this project or the permit process, please call:

Thom Leedom at (540) 382-6740

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

Michael A. Schwinn
Chief, Western Virginia
Regulatory Section



GRAPHIC SCALE

1000' 500' 0 2000' 4000'

1"=2000'



(SOURCE: USGS GLENVAR QUAD, VIRGINIA QUADRANGLE)

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ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS PLANNERS
HAYES, SEAY, MATTERN & MATTERN, INC.

SITE VICINITY MAP
SMITH GAP REGIONAL LANDFILL
ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

JUNE 2005

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FIGURE 1

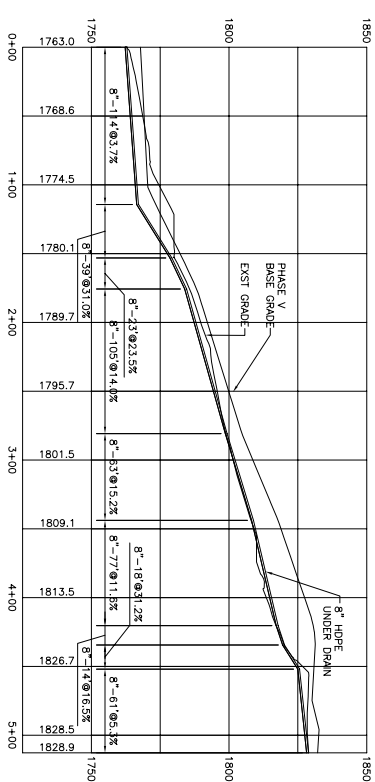
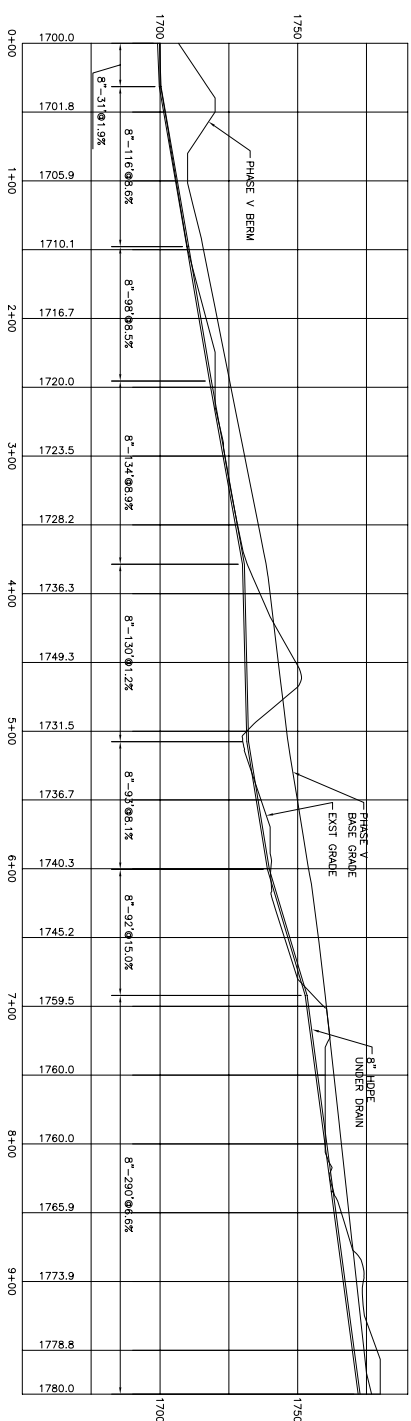
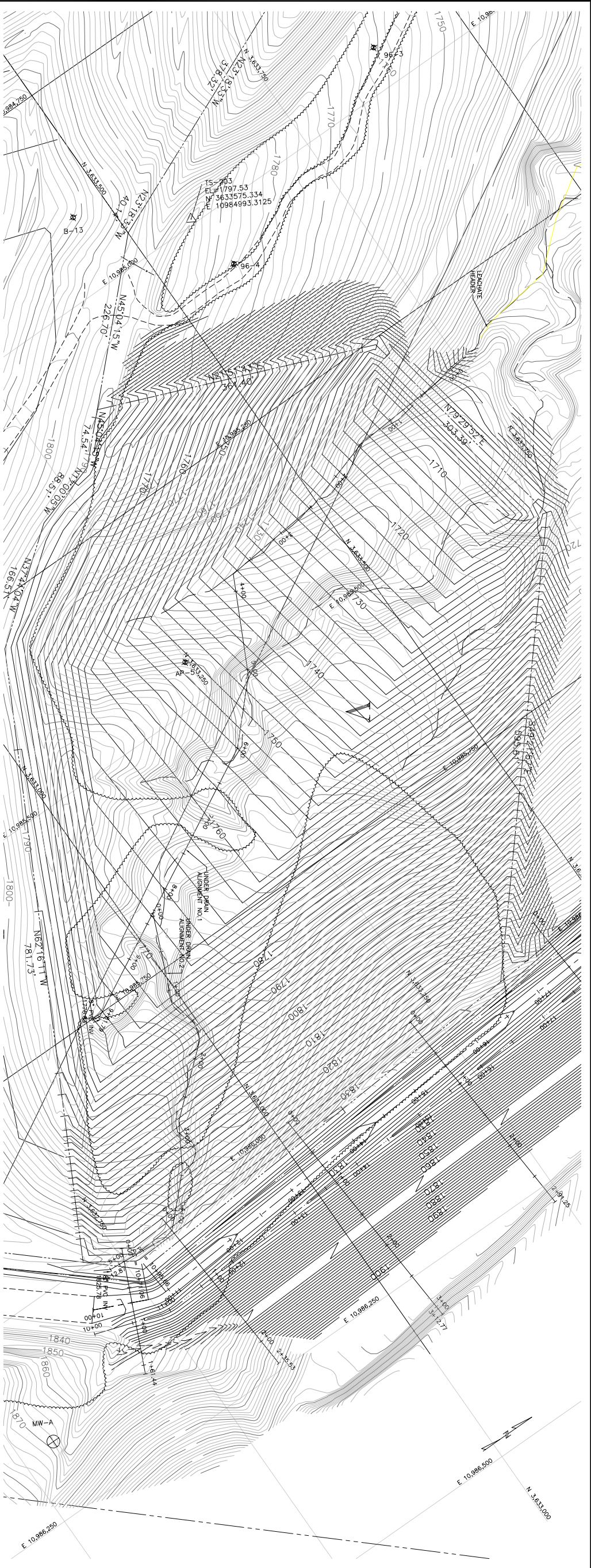


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LEGEND

- 1175 Existing Major Contour Feet
- Mean Sea Level (MSL)
- Existing Minor Contour Feet
- SG-5 Stream Channel

SEALS	CONSULTANT	SMITH GAP REGIONAL LANDFILL	HSM	REV	DATE	DESCRIPTION	APP	COMM NO:	6026A	ENVIRONMENTAL	FIG. 2
		ROANOKE VALLEY RESOURCE AUTHORITY	ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS PLANNERS								
		ROANOKE COUNTY,VIRGINIA	HAYES, SEAY, MATTERN & MATTERN, INC.								
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UNDER DRAIN ALIGNMENT NO. 1

UNDER DRAIN ALIGNMENT NO.2

SCALE: H 1"=50'-0" V 1"=25'-0"

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